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FOLLOWING ARE SUBSTANTIVE PORTIONS OF GATT/AIR/1307,
15 SEPTEMBER 1976, RE THE NEXT MEETING OF GROUP "TARIFFS."

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1. FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH DELEGATIONS, THE GROUP "TARIFFS" WILL
RECONVENE AT 3 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 1976. THE MEETING WILL
BE HELD IN ROOM B IN THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION
(ITU) (ENTRANCE AVENUE GUISEPPE-MOTTA).

2. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE GROUP HAS AGREED THAT ALL THE
ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR ITS LAST MEETING SHOULD REMAIN ON THE AGENDA
FOR THE FORTHCOMING MEETING (MTN/TAR/6, PARAGRAPH 11). CONSEQUENTLY,
THE GROUP WILL REVERT, INTER ALIA, TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

(A) THE CHOICE OF A TARIFF CUTTING FORMULA OR FORMULAE (MTN/TAR/6,
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PARAGRAPHS 2-4). IT IS RECALLED THAT THREE SPECIFIC AND MAJOR

PROPOSALS FOR A TARIFF CUTTING FORMULA HAVE BEEN PUT FORWARD AT EARLIER MEETINGS OF THE GROUP. THESE PROPOSALS ARE REPRODUCED RESPECTIVELY IN MTN/TAR/2, PARAGRAPH 3 (FURTHER SPECIFIED IN MTN/TAR/W/18), MTN/TAR/W/15 AND ADD.1, AND MTN/TAR/W/29. OTHER HYPOTHESES OR SUGGESTIONS FOR A TARIFF CUTTING FORMULA THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE GROUP ARE REPRODUCED IN MTN/TAR/2, PARAGRAPH 2. FURTHER PROPOSALS WHICH MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARIAT BEFORE THE MEETING WILL BE CIRCULATED IMMEDIATELY TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.

(B) THE QUESTION OF SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (MTN/TAR/6, PARAGRAPH 5). IT IS RE-

- CALLED THAT SUGGESTIONS ON SPECIAL PROCEDURES WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE ARE

CONTAINED IN MTN/TAR/4, PARAGRAPH 3, MTN/TAR/W/10, MTN/TAR/W/17 AND MTN/TAR/W/32. IT IS ALSO RECALLED THAT DELEGATIONS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE SUGGESTED A NUMBER OF MEASURES FOR SPECIAL AND MORE FAVOURABLE TREATMENT TO BE NEGOTIATED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF SUCH PROCEDURES (MTN/TAR/2, PARAGRAPH 7, MTN/TAR/3, PARAGRAPH 6 AND MTN/TAR/4, PARAGRAPH 3(A)).

(C) THE QUESTION OF BASE RATES/BASE DATE AS REGARDS UNBOUND RATES (MTN/TAR/6, PARAGRAPH 6).

(D) THE SUGGESTION THAT ASSESSMENT OF RECIPROCITY IN THE TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHETHER DUTIES WERE APPLIED ON C.I.F. OR F.O.B. BASIS AND THAT APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENT OF DEPTH OF CUTS SHOULD BE MADE (MTN/TAR/6, PARAGRAPH 7).

(E) THE QUESTION OF EXCEPTIONS.

3. ALL THE ITEMS ON THE "CHECKLIST OF POSSIBLE ELEMENTS OF A TARIFF NEGOTIATING PLAN" (MTN/TAR/W/4/REV.1) WILL ALSO REMAIN ON THE AGENDA.

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